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ARRESTS IN THE "TACTICAL TAKE-OVER" ROBBERY SERIES

(San Diego) On Saturday, January 24, 2009, at 10:45 a.m., four armed suspects robbed the Bank of America located at 7404 Jackson Drive. This was the eighth robbery in a countywide bank robbery series that started in September 2008. The series was dubbed the "Tactical Take-Over Series" because of the suspect's methods of operation.

In Saturday's robbery, three black male suspects entered the bank armed with handguns and pepper spray (the fourth suspect remained outside). The suspects immediately ordered everyone down to the ground. Two suspects jumped the counter and took money from two teller drawers. One suspect demanded to know where the bank manager was. The manager was away from the bank at the time. The suspects demanded entry into the vault but none of the employees had access to the vault. During the robbery, one suspect sprayed all the customers and employees with pepper spray. In addition to the money, the suspects also took a customer's purse.

Shortly after the robbery, officers from San Diego Police Department's Eastern Division located the suspect vehicles in the city of El Cajon. All four suspects were taken into custody without incident. The guns, pepper spray, the stolen cash, and the customer's purse were all recovered in the suspect's vehicle.

Arrested were:

Jeremy GIBBS, 21
Tranes GOINS, 27
Terry MIXON, 23
Thaddeus WILLIAMS, 22

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